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They'll be watching you

► Police enforcement of distracted-driving law lagged in recent months ► But EPS traffic section will ramp up ticketing in February



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City drivers are still distracted, but lucky for them, at least until now, police have been, too.

While a September push to enforce the new legislation saw 207 tickets issued, Edmonton Police Service officers handed out just 150 distracted-driving tickets in October.

That number dropped to 89 in November, though the tally is not yet finalized.

"I will admit we haven't been giving (the distracted-driving law) the attention it deserves," said Staff Sgt. Ted Hrebien of the EPS traffic section.

Noting that a lack of resources is partly to blame, Hrebien said traffic officers focused their attention in November and December on nabbing impaired drivers in checkstops.

Issued tickets

- Ontario issued about 46,000 distracted-driving tickets in 2010.
- Saskatchewan police cited just 1,636 drivers under similar legislation during that period.
- Under Alberta's distracted-driving law, in effect since Sept. 1, drivers caught using a handheld device or GPS, or doing activities such as eating, grooming or reading, could be fined \$172.
- Of 207 infractions recorded in the city the first month, 188 were for using a handheld device. In October, of 150 tickets issued, 143 were for that same distraction.
- Dialling 911 for a Curb the Danger or emergency call is allowed under the law.

But with Christmas over, and an EPS focus on intersection safety wrapping soon, police will be targeting drivers' bad habits.

"I expect people to obey the law. We don't want a cop on every corner acting as Big Brother looking over our shoulders."

JONATHAN DENIS
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"The law has been in effect since September and people are already returning to their old ways," he said. "We will be cracking down again in the month of February."

Calgary fared better in its enforcement, issuing twice as many tickets — about 950 — in the first three months of the law.

The Alberta solicitor general said he'd prefer a balance of enforcement and compliance over issuing thousands of tickets, as in Ontario and other provinces.

"I don't want Alberta to become a police state," Jonathan Denis said.

Carving a niche for himself

Ten ice carvers and Alberta Dep. Premier Doug Horner kicked off the 30th annual winter festival between Alberta and its sister Chinese province of Heilongjiang. The festival is set to run on the Leg grounds in conjunction with Ice on Whyte, Jan. 12-22.



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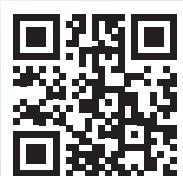
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Late-night bus pilot unsafe: Union

► Night Ride pilot launches Friday
 ► Transit security director says Whyte Avenue to Southgate transit centre project is necessary



As the city launches a new late-night bus pilot ushering riders from Whyte Avenue bars this weekend, the transit union boss' concerns turn to driver safety.

"If they're going to test this properly, I would like to see operators have someone on the bus with them to protect them," said Stu Litwinowich, president of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 569.

He worries rowdy Whyte Avenue patrons could bring bar antics on buses. "If one of my operators is assaulted, there's going to be hell to pay," he said.

Riders may also become stranded without cab fare when the end of the line Southgate station closes at 3:30 a.m., he warned.

Edmonton Transit Ser-

Night Ride route

- Buses will run every 12 minutes westbound along Whyte Avenue from 1:30 a.m. to 3:30, Jan. 6 to April 14, Fridays and Saturdays.
- Stops include the University and Southgate transit centre, as well as 51 Avenue to Gateway Boulevard. Visit edmonton.ca/nightride.

vice's security helm calls the pilot safe and necessary.

"We know there's a vast majority of people that need a ride home ... and some of them are late-night workers," said Ron Gabruck, ETS director of safety and security.

Gabruck said beefed-up safety measures include two extra transit peace officers, a "roving" inspector, and an EPS officer stationed at Southgate.



► Edmonton transit operators are not on board with a late-night bus pilot set to start this weekend, the union president says.

Inquiry launched into Lago Lindo blast

Alberta Justice is launching a fatality inquiry into a deadly explosion that left four dead and caused extensive damage to an Edmonton neighbourhood on June 20, 2010.

Police announced last May that the blast that

killed Dwayne Richard Poirier, 46, Craig Donald Huber, 29, and Bradley Warren Winter, 26, was caused by Poirier tampering with the gas line to cover up strangling his common-law wife, Jeanne Cathleen Heard, 47.

Fatality inquiries determine the cause, manner, time and place of death, but can't assign legal responsibility.

The Lago Lindo explosion caused \$3.5 million in damage to 40 properties.

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News in brief

PC associations investigated

DONATIONS. Alberta's chief electoral officer is investigating 10 Progressive Conservative riding associations for receiving possibly illegal campaign donations.

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Leduc crash kills woman

STOP SIGN. RCMP are investigating a fatal crash near Leduc that left a Milet woman dead on Thursday.

They believe the unidentified woman ran a stop sign in her PT Cruiser, hitting a Dodge Ram at Glen Park Road.

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SAMSON CREE BAND

Hobbema reserve endorses evictions

A crime-troubled First Nation south of Edmonton has voted to give community leaders the power to evict suspected gang members.

When ballots were counted Wednesday night, the result was 479 in favour and 369 against the proposed bylaw, which must still be ratified by the Department of Indian Affairs.

If that is done, it would mean any 25 residents of the 7,000-member Samson Cree band in Hobbema could apply to have someone legally removed from the reserve.

The plan to hold the

vote was approved after the chief's five-year-old grandson was killed by a gunshot in July while sleeping in his bedroom during a drive-by shooting, but it also reflects concern about ongoing gang violence.

Samson resident Roy Louis said people are fed up with crime, but there are also concerns that such evictions would mean gang members would simply move to one of the other three reserves in the Hobbema area.

"It is fine and dandy to have a bylaw to banish some of the gang members, but it has to be in sync with the other three nations," Louis said.

About a dozen gangs have been fighting over the drug trade in Hobbema's four First Nations, where more than half of the 14,000 residents are under 18 years old.

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Metropolis motors on

► Despite lack of winter weather, Edmonton's international winter festival keeps drawing crowds



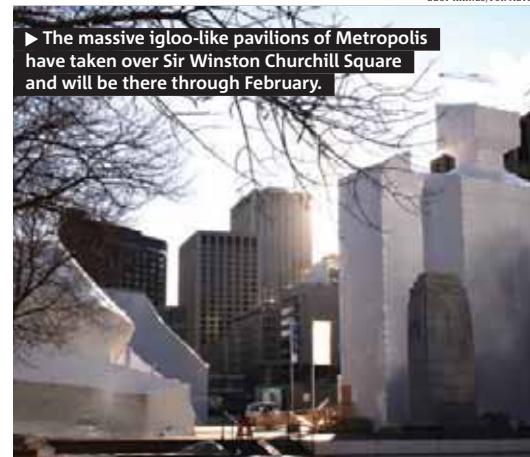
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There are scant bits of snow on the ground, and the ice is melting in front of city hall. But the massive, misshapen igloo-type structures that have taken over Sir Winston Churchill Square create a definite air of winter, even when the warm air and sunshine make it feel otherwise.

"The weather outside doesn't affect what we do inside the pavilions — we're prepared for all conditions," says Metropolis general manager Giuseppe Albi, who hopes to see more than 10,000 people take in events each weekend. "It's our first year, so we'll see."

This weekend will see a



► The massive igloo-like pavilions of Metropolis have taken over Sir Winston Churchill Square and will be there through February.

visual-arts display called Night of Artists. Some 25 established artists will be featured, including Lewis Lavoie and his mural mo-

saic project.

Coming weekends spotlight information technology and the Chinese New Year.

Event details

- Metropolis takes over Sir Winston Churchill Square until 10 p.m. each Friday to Sunday with pavilions featuring activities and entertainment, food and drink.
- Cold-weather construction technology sees free-standing structural forms made of shrink-wrapped scaffolding, complete with heat and LED lighting.
- A children's pavilion houses a 44-foot slide and arts and crafts activities, while Taste of Winter has food and drink from 12 restaurants.

"But through each weekend, the children's pavilion, polar bar and taste of winter will be open," says Metropolis project co-ordinator Kevin Sinnott.

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SCAM ARTIST

Suspected fraudster arrested

Police have charged a 30-year-old man for a spate of fraud scams in west Edmonton.

According to the Edmonton Police Service, the suspect grew more aggressive in attempts to obtain money by gaining entry to

victims' homes, claiming he needed a locksmith.

In one case he threw a phone at a homeowner and fled.

If you think you may have been the victim of a scam, call EPS at 780-423-4567.

Shaun Allan Cartwright, arrested Thursday near 127 Street and 107 Avenue, faces robbery, possession of stolen property under \$5,000, attempted fraud and breach-related charges.

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► Andrea Martin portrays Edith Prickley in this undated publicity handout photo.

► Local mag starts groundswell of support for downtown memorial to SCTV troupe



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It started at an editorial meeting at Avenue Magazine last fall, when discussing an upcoming comedy issue.

Fast-forward to this week, where an online petition at the magazine's website to support the creation of an SCTV monument is gathering plenty of attention and more than 300 signatures in two days.

"It's early in the process, but we're humbled by the enthusiastic response," says Avenue editor Steven Sandor.

"We'd be happy if we make Edmontonians think of our achievements in something other than sports. Those are great, but why not memorialize the thinkers and entertainers, too?"

Petition signers seem to agree. "It'd be nice to see the city get some ink for something other than hockey and murder rates,"

says a petition respondent.

"This would be something for our city to show off... we need to make a big deal of it. Edmonton could use this as a calling card," Sandor adds.

For more information on the petition and plans to bring it to city hall, see AvenueEdmonton.com.

Legendary characters

► Second City Television (SCTV) started in Toronto, but gained most fame during the Edmonton years, filming from 1979 to '82 in what is now Global TV studios in the city's south end.

► Eugene Levy, Joe Flaherty,

Catherine O'Hara, Dave Thomas,

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Spotlight on police

► Tape reveals police ordered teen to put gun down before shooting him



Layton's granddaughter

The Layton family has a new addition. Solace Huxley Layton Campbell was born at 2:15 a.m. on Thursday. Sarah Layton, the daughter of former NDP Leader Jack Layton, who died in August, delivered the healthy baby girl, who weighed in at 9.4 pounds.

Officer killed, five injured in Utah raid

One officer was killed and five other drug task force members and a suspect were wounded in a gunfight Wednesday evening during a raid in an Ogden neighbourhood, authorities said.

The shots rang out before 9 p.m. Wednesday as law-enforcement officers converged at a house on Jackson Avenue, police spokesman Lt. Tony Fox said.

Ogden police said in a statement early Thursday that the agent who died from his wounds was Jared Francom, a seven-year veteran who is survived by his wife and two young children. Five others officers from multiple agencies remained hospitalized with

serious to critical injuries. No more information on their conditions was released.

The sole suspect in the drug-related shooting was at a local hospital under guard, with non-life threatening injuries.

No other names have been released.

The shooting occurred as an anti-drug strike team was serving a warrant. The Standard-Examiner in Ogden reported that more police responded upon word of at least one officer shot.

Police blocked off the area from 34th Street and Jackson Avenue to 32nd Street and a SWAT team took positions in that area of Ogden, which is about 35 miles north of Salt Lake City.

Authorities have not released information on how the officers and the suspect were shot. The newspaper reported police eventually surrounded the suspect near a backyard shed. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

A 911 recording reveals the tense moments in a Texas middle school when police confronted an eighth-grader who was brandishing a realistic-looking pellet gun and repeatedly ordered him to put the weapon down.

Over and over, officers can be heard telling 15-year-old Jaime Gonzalez to put the weapon on the floor. When he refused, they fatally shot the boy

"Why was so much excess force used on a minor? Three shots. Why not one that would bring him down?"

JAIME GONZALEZ, SR., FATHER OF BOY WHO WAS KILLED

Wednesday at Cummings Middle School in Brownsville.

A six-minute recording of the 911 call that summoned police was obtained Thursday by the Brownsville Herald.

An assistant principal

made the call. As officers arrive, she says Gonzalez is drawing the weapon. A moment later, police yell that Gonzalez is running through the hall. Someone can be heard yelling that the student says he's willing to die. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Mubarak should be hanged: Prosecutors

► Ousted Egyptian leader authorized use of live ammunition to kill protesters, lawyers charge ► Victims' families to testify on Monday

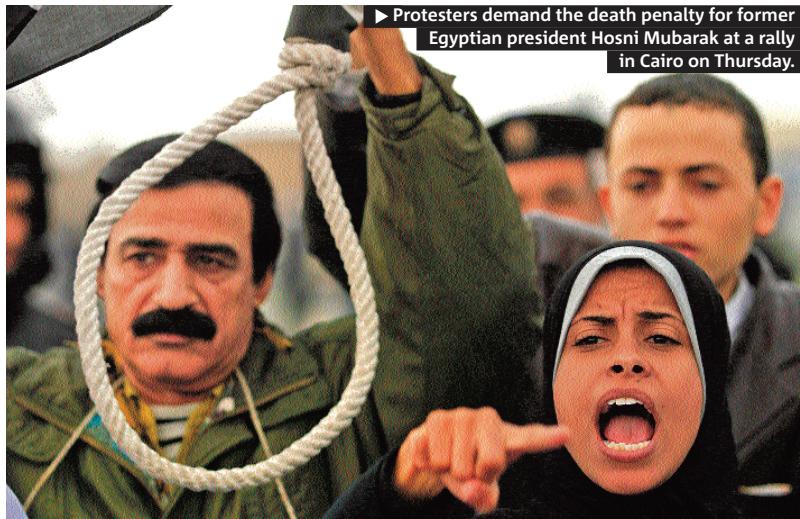
Hosni Mubarak deserves to be hanged, prosecutors said Thursday, charging that the former Egyptian president bears full responsibility for the killing of some 800 protesters during last year's uprising against his rule.

At Mubarak's trial in Cairo, prosecutor Mustafa Khater gave a passionate speech demanding the death penalty for Mubarak, former interior minister Habib el-Adly and four of his police commanders.

"Retribution is the solution. Any fair judge must issue a death sentence for these defendants," said Khater, one of five prosecutors in the case.

His speech came on the last of three days of sessions in which the prosecution laid out its case, after months of testimony by witnesses, aiming to show that Mubarak and el-Adly — who was in charge of the police — ordered security forces to use deadly force against protesters.

For separate corruption charges levelled against



► Protesters demand the death penalty for former Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak at a rally in Cairo on Thursday.

"We feel the spirits of the martyrs flying over this hall of sacred justice, and those who lost their sight by the bullets of the defendants are stumbling around it to reach the judge and demand fair retribution from those who attacked them."

PROSECUTOR MUSTAFA KHATER

Mubarak and his sons Alaa and Gamal, Khater demanded prison sentences

with hard labour. Two police commanders charged with gross negligence face

prison terms.

But some observers were skeptical that the death sentence would ever be carried out if Mubarak is convicted. A conviction would be followed by an appeals process that the ailing 83-year-old's lawyer would likely draw out, and Egypt's military rulers have the power to veto a death sentence.

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Reform not a sure thing: Suu Kyi

Democratic reforms begun by Myanmar's nominally civilian government are not "unstoppable" and will succeed only if the powerful military accepts the changes, opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi warned on Thursday.

But she added she is cautiously optimistic more progress can be made.

"I wouldn't say that there are many dangers, but I wouldn't say that it is unstoppable, either," she said.

"I am concerned about how much support there is in the military for changes. In the end, that's the most important factor, how far the military are prepared to co-operate with reform principles."

KHIN MAUNG WIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Suu Kyi spoke as she and her National League for Democracy moved closer to full participation in mainstream electoral politics. The government approved the party's registration Thursday, and the NLD can now pick candidates to run in by-elections on April 1.

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VILLAGE WARNED OF DANGER

At least 25 dead in Philippines landslide

A landslide tore through a tiny gold-mining village in the southern Philippines on Thursday, killing 25 people and burying more than 100 others, months after the government warned resi-

dents the mountain was certain to crumble.

The mountainside in Napnapan collapsed at about 3 a.m., sweeping away about 50 shanties and other buildings, officials said. A fissure in the mountain discovered last year was made worse by heavy rains and continuous mining.

Thousands of poor Filipinos dig for gold in the area, but the tunnels are often unstable and landslides are common.

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Alleged arsonist 'not stable mentally'

► According to medical records, Burkhart suffered from autistic spectrum disorder, depression since childhood

The man who allegedly ignited more than 50 fires that terrorized Los Angeles last week may suffer from a series of mental illnesses.

Burkhart was arrested Monday near the Sunset Strip in a van with Canadian licence plates loaded

37 Burkhart was charged Wednesday with 37 counts of arson that caused \$3 million in damage.

with fire-starting materials. He has been placed on suicide watch.

His mother, Dorothee Burkhart, appeared in federal court Tuesday after being arrested on a fraud warrant from Germany.

Documents reveal both mother and son struggled with mental illness.

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Scientific. Marvel



► Stephen Hawking speaks at an international gathering of scientists on the origins of the universe at Beijing's Great Hall of the People in China in 2006.

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Scientist to celebrate 70th birthday

British astrophysicist Stephen Hawking was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease, a motor neuron disease, when he was a 21-year-old student at Cambridge University. Most people die within a few years of the disease being identified. On Sunday, Hawking turns 70.

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Early retirement? Better think again

► Average worker wants to retire by 61, while 25- to 30-year-olds aim for 59

Canadians appear to be on a collision course with harsh reality when it comes to their increasingly unrealistic expectations for retiring early and comfortably.

With the underfunding in pension plans and rising household debt, a new TD Bank survey suggests Canadians haven't adjusted their retirement notions.

The survey shows six in 10 Canadians have less than \$100,000 in household assets, not counting any home equity, while 16 per cent have no assets at all. The survey also found that 44 per cent of respondents believe they will have debt when they retire, and 13 per cent said their debt will be significant.

"For some Canadians, it's not going to be about choice. They will have to

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work past age 65 paying off debt or working longer hours to afford their retirement," said Cynthia Caskey of TD Waterhouse.

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B.C. not so against oil pipeline: Poll

Nearly half of British Columbians support Enbridge Inc.'s proposed Northern Gateway project, which would pass through the province, according to an Ipsos Reid poll conducted on behalf of Enbridge.

The survey, released Thursday, suggests 48 per cent of B.C. residents back the controversial \$5.5-billion project — 14 per cent of those strongly. On the flip side, 32 per cent oppose

it — 13 per cent strongly. About 20 per cent said they were "undecided."

The project would carry some 525,000 barrels per day of Alberta crude to the West Coast for export to Asian countries.

Regulatory hearings into the project begin next week in Kitimat, B.C. There has been vocal opposition from First Nations, environmental and other groups.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadians feel down about their finances

More Canadians are worried about the economy and how they'll fare in the midst of what many consider a mild recession, according to a survey released Thursday by the Economic Club of Canada.

Many respondents were concerned about how the weaker economy will impact their personal

finances. About 47 per cent said they believe income will fall below the cost of living. The poll, conducted in December, found that only 25 per cent of respondents said they felt optimistic about the economic prospects in the coming year. That's down from a year earlier when 36 per cent of respondents said they were optimistic.

"This is the most pessimism we've seen, except for briefly in 2008, since 1996," said Michael Marzolini, chairman of Pollara Strategic Insights, which conducted the survey. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Obama shares vision of 'leaner' military

Looking beyond the wars he inherited, U.S. President Barack Obama on Thursday launched a reshaping and shrinking of the military. He vowed to preserve U.S. pre-eminence even as the Army and Marine Corps shed troops and the administration considers reducing its arsenal of nuclear weapons.

The changes won't come without risk, Defence Secretary Leon Panetta said, calling it acceptable and inevitable. Obama said the U.S. is "turning a page" after having killed Osama bin



Laden, withdrawn troops from Iraq and begun to wind down the war in Afghanistan. He outlined a vision that some Republican lawmakers quickly dubbed wrong-headed.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unscathed airlines gear up for 2012

Canada's largest airlines ended 2011 seemingly untouched by global economic concerns as they brace for a slow domestic economy re-

covery and higher fuel prices this year. WestJet and regional carrier Porter Airlines reported record load factors in December while Air Canada, the country's largest carrier, saw its passenger traffic grow slightly from a year ago.

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1 **Kate turns big 3-0:** Her name is already forecast to be the most-used word in social media this year, and watch how much attention Kate gets next Monday (Jan. 9) when the

duchess turns 30. What would be the icing on the cake? When Will and Kate announce they're having a baby. Twitter would completely melt.

2 **Rob Schneider:** His new comedy, Rob, airs next week (Jan. 12). It's about a newlywed dealing with his wife's close-knit Mexican-American family. TV critic Jace Lacob watched the pilot and live-tweeted his disdain for it. Sample tweet from @televisionary: "If Hell exists, it would be watching the Rob pilot over and over again for eternity. And I am only two minutes in..." Must-watch.

3 **@RupertMurdoch:** Eighty-year-old media mogul Rupert Murdoch opened his (rather boring) Twitter account over the New Year's holiday and already has more than 100,000 followers. Murdoch, whose media empire, News Corp., has been under increased scrutiny due to phone hacking at his U.K. newspapers, had better hope his Twitter account never gets hacked.

4 **Team Canada:** Our juniors were getting smoked 6-1 in the semifinal by Russia at the Calgary Saddledome, and staged what was almost an epic comeback, scoring four goals in the third and hitting a post late before falling short 6-5. Even though they didn't make the final, they can hold their heads high after that valiant comeback. 2013 will be their golden year.

5 **Twins born a year apart:** In a story gone viral this week, a Minneapolis couple welcomed twins six hours apart, with a boy, Beckett, born 6:40 p.m. on Dec. 31, 2011, and a girl, Freya, Jan. 1, 2012, at 12:26 a.m. New Year's Day. This means a) separate birthdays for both, and b) whenever the siblings fight, Beckett can go, "Yo, I'm a year older."

6 **Butt out:** A giant 12-foot acrylic cigarette butt was erected in Toronto Tuesday as the Canadian Cancer Society launched its seventh annual Driven to Quit Challenge. If you're thinking of quitting, try it. I've been clean of the cancer sticks for more than 10 years. All you need is 20 seconds of insane courage. And willpower.

7 **Steve Jobs action figure:** A Chinese toy company called InIcons is releasing a detailed 12-inch action figure of Jobs wearing his signature black turtleneck, rimless glasses and blue jeans. Due for U.S. release late February (if Apple gives permission), word is they're getting tons of advance orders. Accessories such as iPhone, iPad and iPod are not included!

8 **4,700 self-portraits:** For 14 years, Canadian photographer Jeff Harris has been doing an epic art project whereby he takes a self-portrait each day and then posts it on his website to take his readers along on his adventures. Think of it as his personal diary, but in photos. Check it out at jeffharris.org.

Follow Neil Morton on Twitter (@neilmorton).



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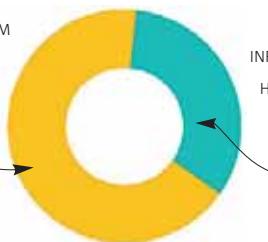


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Local tweets

- **@Argenplath:** Loving the warm #yeg weather with the exception of how dirty it is making my car. :(
- **@greyexistent:** It would totally make my year to see someone out on a motorbike with this weather. #yeg
- **@sjeezy:** I've been a proponent of #groupon since its inception, but today's deal is a slap in the face. Singing #justinbeiber toothbrushes?!! #yeg
- **@failmassif:** Problems I never expected to have in #yeg: getting mud on my

white pants. In JANUARY
► **@Diana75:** The sunrise this morning is amazing. #yeg take a minute, leave your desk and go look Eastward. It will make your day better.

► **@JENNAWOWW:** #yeg was hotter than madrid + jacksonville yesterday #what #weird #globalwarming

► **@daveloken:** Go canada Go! #yeg #WJC

► **@hudsonbrad:** Saw a guy that looked like George Michael wipe out on his bike today in #yeg. Those streets are slippery! #gotahavefaith

A writing exam, Japanese-style

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Calligraphy contest honours Japan's tsunami victims

DISASTER. Around the world, people ring bells or shoot fireworks to welcome the new year, but in Japan they celebrate by showing off their brushwork. Thousands of contestants took part in Japan's 48th annual New

Year Calligraphy Contest. About 3,000 filled the Nippon Budokan indoor arena for the event.

Calligraphers this year were encouraged to write banners of well wishes for those affected by last year's devastating earth-

quake and tsunami.

"My banner reads 'Strong will' — for those hit by the disaster. I also wish an early spring will arrive there," said Kuramochi Jun, a 12-year-old student.

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New-year banners

- "The heart waits for spring"
Haru matsu kokoro (春待つ心)
- "Strong will"
Tsuyoishi (強い意志)
- "The sky of the New Year"
Shinnen no sora (新年の空)



Scene in brief



Actress-turned-director Sarah Polley is adapting Margaret Atwood's award-winning novel *Alias Grace* for the big screen. The project once again pairs the Toronto filmmaker with an acclaimed Canadian writer — Polley's celebrated directorial debut *Away From Her* was based on Alice Munro's short story *The Bear Came Over the Mountain*.

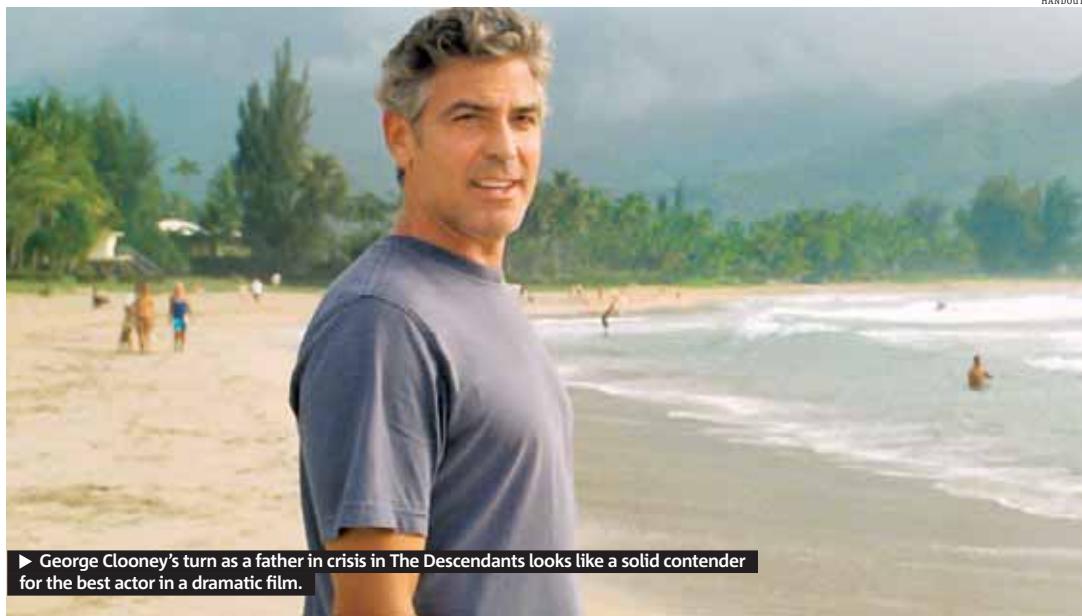
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Hugh Jackman plans his Broadway return as Harry Houdini in a musical by Aaron Sorkin.

Synopsis

► Award season is upon us. Soon Hollywood will hand out more gold than Fort Knox on free doubloon day. This week the Reel Guys have a look at the first major awards, the Golden Globes.



► George Clooney's turn as a father in crisis in *The Descendants* looks like a solid contender for the best actor in a dramatic film.

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE & MARK BRESLIN



Going for the gold

► Breslin and Crouse make their picks for the Golden Globes ► Is it Clooney's year?

Richard: Mark, I enjoyed bits and pieces of a lot of movies in 2011 so choosing winners in the Golden Globe Best Movie categories is giving me a bit of a headache. In the drama category I'll have to go with *Moneyball* as the film that hit it out of the park. As for comedy or musical it's a toss up between *The Artist*, which was the best time I had at the movies overall this year, and *Bridesmaids*, which made me laugh more than any movie this year. You?

Mark: Yes, Richard, *Moneyball* was a fine film. But I can't believe it will take away any top prizes be-

cause it just lacked any real emotional content — and the ending, while true to life, was a bit of a dud. I think it's George Clooney's year, and that *The Descendants* is the film to beat in the drama category. As for comedy, *Bridesmaids* is the funniest movie of the year, although *The Artist* is a more audacious achievement. I notice its director is nominated in that category, and I hope he wins. He made me feel like I was in 1928!

RC: I think you're right about Clooney. He brings with him the kind of star power the Globes crave for their broadcast. *The Artist*,

not so much. With that in mind it seems likely Meryl Streep will take the Globe for best dramatic actress for *The Iron Lady*. Her mix of star power and chops almost guarantees a win. As for Comedy or Drama, I'd like to see Kristen Wiig take it for *Bridesmaids*. Of all the nominees it is the only full-on comedic performance.

MB: You're right about La Streep. Frankly, she won it the day the trailer aired. And with Michelle Williams shunted into the comedy category, there's little competition for her.

And although it's a real stretch to call Williams' Monroe homage 'comedy', her only competition will be Charlize Theron's dress. Kristen Wiig is a comedic genius — the best thing since Carol Burnett — but I think her bid will be scuttled by the movie's poop jokes. Unfair, perhaps, but pure comedy scares votes away — it just doesn't seem like acting.

RC: One movie I think is a lock is the hands-down favourite for Best Foreign Film, *A Separation*. I'll be shocked if this doesn't win.

MB: Haven't seen it, but the buzz has been deafening. As long as *Cars 2* doesn't win for Best Animated Picture, I'll be a happy man.

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► Paula Patton, left plays Jane, Simon Pegg plays Benji, Tom Cruise plays Ethan Hunt, and Jeremy Renner plays Brandt in *Mission: Impossible Ghost Protocol*

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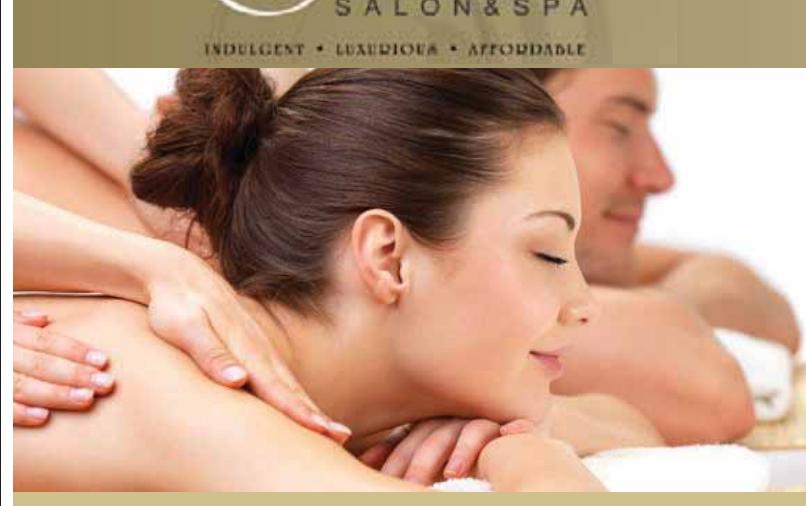
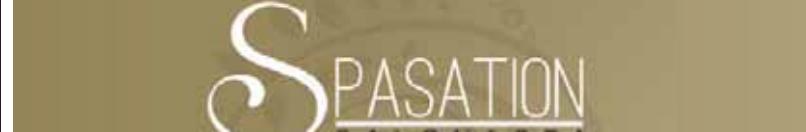
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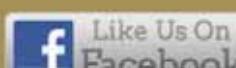
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Russell Brand just can't tell a lie

► Katy Perry told she 'wasn't that funny' by husband

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Katy Perry was reportedly blindsided by Russell Brand's divorce filing, but according to sources close to the singer there was plenty of evidence he was losing interest, according to Us Weekly.

"There were so many times when he wasn't there," a source says, offering the last night of Perry's tour in November as an example: "He was totally uninterested and seemed annoyed he was there. I don't think he sat through one song."

And then there was Brand's response to her



Saturday Night Live hosting stint in December.

Perry reportedly begged Brand to appear in a skit on the episode, but he declined and stayed in L.A. instead. And after it aired?

"He told her that she wasn't that funny," the source says. "That really

Demi 'not worthy of being loved'?

Demi Moore admits that her split from Ashton Kutcher has left her shaken and insecure.

"What scares me is that I'm going to ultimately find out at the end of my life that I'm really not lovable, that I'm not worthy of being loved," she tells Harper's Bazaar in a candid interview, adding that she fears finding out "that there's something fundamentally wrong with me and

that I wasn't wanted here in the first place."

But Moore is moving forward, thanks to some profound advice.

"Somebody wrote something to me that said, 'Don't let your wounds make you become someone you're not.' That's really powerful. And not taking life too seriously," she says. Forget acting, can Demi write a self-help book? She is the new Oprah!

Demi Moore



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2 Stir in ricotta, 2 tbsp (25 mL) of the parsley and pepper.

3 Meanwhile, in large pot of boiling salted water, cook tortellini for about 8 minutes or until they are tender but firm (al dente).

4 Drain and add to sauce and toss to coat. Serve immediately or alternatively scrape into



► This recipe makes 4 to 6 servings.

shallow casserole and sprinkle with cheese. Broil for 2 minutes or until cheese is melted and golden. Sprinkle with remaining parsley.

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Ingredients:

- 1 tbsp (15 mL) extra virgin olive oil
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 mL) dried oregano
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) chunky medium salsa
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) ricotta cheese
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) chopped fresh parsley
- Pinch pepper
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Where does the time go? My first column of the New Year has traditionally been dedicated to my boozy predictions for the next 12 months, and here they are.

In the wine world old will be new again. Italy began a comeback late last year and its European neighbours in France and Spain are destined to share in the resurgence of consumer love for classically designed wines.

New World grape crushers from Canada (especially VQA vino from Ontario and B.C. and those earning the Tidal Bay appellation in Nova Scotia) will broaden their fan base and Chilean wine-makers will get the recognition they deserve.

Though premium vodka will rule the spirit world, I predict liqueurs will be the hard liquor breakout star with seemingly simple mixtures like the smooth and mouth-massing combo of whiskey and honey that is Jack Daniel's Tennessee Honey (\$28.95 to \$29.99).

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Sports in brief



The Sacramento Kings fired coach Paul Westphal on Thursday, cutting ties after two-plus seasons amid a slow start and an escalating dispute with young centre DeMarcus Cousins.

Kings president of basketball operations Geoff Petrie made the announcement ahead of the team's home game against Milwaukee on Thursday night.

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Missed opportunity

► Oilers blow 3-1 lead as Blues score three unanswered goals in the third period



Matt D'Agostini capped a three-goal surge early in the third period and Carlo Colaiacovo had three assists, rallying the St. Louis Blues to a 4-3 victory over the Edmonton Oilers on Thursday night.

D'Agostini scored the game-winner when he carried the puck behind the net and wristed in a shot from the left circle at 8:59. It was the third goal of the period for St. Louis, answering Edmonton's three-goal outburst in the second.

Alex Pietrangelo connected on a slap shot 19 seconds into the third and the Blues tied it 3-3 when David Backes scored at 1:48, both on the power play. Chris Stewart also had a goal for St. Louis, in the first period.

St. Louis improved to 3-8-1 when trailing after two periods, while Edmonton fell to 13-3-1 when leading after two.

The Blues won for the ninth time in their last 10 home games.

St. Louis is 16-3-2 at



► Jaroslav Halak of the St. Louis Blues makes a save against the Oilers.

home, best in the NHL.

Taylor Hall, Ben Eager and Jordan Eberle scored for the Oilers, who are 6-15-1 on the road. Edmonton fell to 1-5 on a season-long, seven-game trip.

St. Louis has won its last four home games against Edmonton.

The Blues outshot the Oilers 14-3 in the opening period but scored only one goal. Edmonton goalie Devan Dubnyk came out to clear the puck in the corner and made a weak clear-

ing attempt. Stewart intercepted the ill-advised pass and fed Jamie Langenbrunner across the ice on the right side. Langenbrunner one-timed it back to Stewart, who buried the puck from the left side of the net for his ninth goal at 14:42.

The second period was all Oilers, who were on the power play for 10:17 and scored twice with the man advantage. The Oilers have nine power-play goals in their last eight games.

Blues goalie Jaroslav Halak thwarted a breakaway

by Edmonton's Shawn Horcoff early in the second period when St. Louis was on the power play. Horcoff took the puck from Kevin Shattenkirk just inside the blue line and raced toward Halak, who stopped the shot with his upper chest.

But Edmonton was not to be denied for long. Two quick goals gave Edmonton a 2-1 lead. The Oilers tied the game at 5:12 when Hall scored on a slap shot from just inside the blue line on a power play. Edmonton took the lead 15

seconds later when Eager wristed it from just outside of the right circle.

The Oilers made it 3-1 on their second power-play goal when Eberle slammed a slap shot by Halak from the left circle for his 17th of the season at 13:54. It was his sixth goal in his last nine games, giving him 11 points in that span.

The Blues needed less than two minutes of the third period to tie the game on two power-play opportunities.

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No longer pariahs of the NFL post-season

- Playoffs offer unique twist in 2012 with appearances Lions and Texans
- Detroit to make first appearance in 13 seasons and Houston first ever

Hey, Stranger.

Here's a playoff head-scratcher: Accompanying the New England Patriots, Green Bay Packers, Pittsburgh Steelers and New York Giants, are the Detroit Lions and Houston Texans.

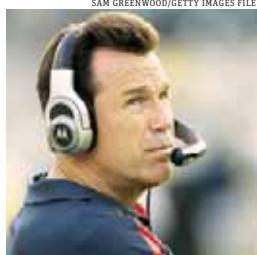
On Saturday, the Texans kick off the NFL playoffs hosting Cincinnati. It's merely their first post-season game in a franchise history spanning 10 seasons.

At night, the Lions, whose last trip to the playoffs came in 1999 — and whose last win was eight seasons before that — play the Saints in New Orleans.

The lack of playoff familiarity doesn't seem to concern Detroit coach Jim Schwartz.

"We haven't always played our very best, I don't think any team ever does," Schwartz said. "But I think we've learned from some of the things that have happened and I think we're a little bit more battle-tested, a little more seasoned."

It's Detroit's second go-



"Maybe that's a good thing that they don't have a lot of things to pull from. It's just, go play it like any other game."

HOUSTON COACH GARY KUBIAK ON THE TEXANS' FIRST PLAYOFF GAME

round with the Saints in five weeks. The Lions fell 31-17 at the Superdome on Dec. 4.

"I've been part of a wild-card team that went to the Super Bowl, also been a part of a team that had home-field advantage throughout the playoffs and lost in the first game,"

said Schwartz, formerly a Tennessee Titans assistant coach. "So, I think the finality of playoffs ... that's probably the thing that's the most different from a regular-season game."

Born in 2002, the Texans didn't have a winning record until last season. Their AFC South crown

seemed destined when Peyton Manning was sidelined in Indianapolis, but they struggled down the stretch and lost their final three games.

Indeed, Houston's last win was at Cincinnati 20-19. And it's the Bengals who visit Reliant Stadium in Houston on Saturday.

"It's just, go play it like any other game," Texans coach Gary Kubiak said. "(The players) know that the result — the biggest factor — is you can move on."

On Sunday, Atlanta is at the Giants, followed by Pittsburgh at Denver.

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Been there, done that?



Detroit Lions

The Lions have 17 players with playoff experience, but only kicker Jason Hanson got his with the Lions.



Houston Texans

It's Houston's first post-season trip as a franchise, but 14 Texans have made the playoffs with other clubs.

Eskimos lose Stubler to Lions



► Rich Stubler, shown in this July 2008 photo in Toronto, has left Edmonton to become B.C.'s defensive co-ordinator.

It didn't take long for Rich Stubler to find a new job.

Just hours after the Edmonton Eskimos announced that Stubler wouldn't be returning as the team's defensive co-ordinator, the B.C. Lions said Thursday he would be joining their staff in the same position.

"Rich brings a tremendous amount of experience and success to our club and I am very pleased he has accepted the position of defensive co-ordinator," said Lions head coach Mike Benevides in a statement.

This is the third time Stubler has been a member of B.C.'s coaching staff. He was the Lions' defensive line coach in 2010 and the team's defensive co-ordinator in 2000, when B.C. won the Grey Cup.

"I'm excited to return to the Lions and work with Mike," said Stubler. "Clear-

ly, they established themselves as a dominant team on defence last season, and I am fortunate to inherit both a terrific staff and some of the league's best defensive performers."

Under Stubler's guidance, Edmonton finished second in the CFL in fewest points allowed (22.3 per game). The Eskimos' defence helped the club finish tied with B.C. and Calgary atop the West Division standings with an 11-7 record.

"Rich chose not to sign a new contract and informed us he's looking to pursue other opportunities," said Edmonton head coach Kavis Reed said in a statement. "He was instrumental in shaping a group of young players into one of the CFL's best defences and we thank coach Stubler for his contributions."

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Four Sens voted as all-stars

The Ottawa Senators are assured of having at least four familiar faces on the ice when they host the NHL all-star game this month.

Defenceman Erik Karlsson led all vote-getters in fan balloting, and captain Daniel Alfredsson and fellow forwards Milan Michalek and Jason Spezza also were elected for the game on Jan. 29.

The NHL said Thursday they will be joined by Toronto defenceman Dion Phaneuf and Boston Bruins goalie Tim Thomas in this year's game.

The four Senators hold the top four spots on the club's scoring list, with Spezza leading the way with 40 points — three more than Karlsson. However, Karlsson topped everyone in the league with 939,951 votes, 42,536 more than Alfredsson. Michalek got his spot with a late rush, beating out Toronto's Phil Kessel by 42,144 votes. Kessel had been in line to be voted in during the election period.

"It's great, obviously, to see all four of us getting in," Alfredsson said. "You look at Jason, Erik, and Milan, too, they've had great starts to the season. If we would have had to choose one player, it would have been tough because they've all played great to start the season. To be able to all get in when it is in Ottawa, it's going to be a special occasion for all of us and something we'll cherish forever, I'm sure."

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Sweden takes gold with OT win over Russia

Mika Zibanejad scored at 10:09 of overtime to lead Sweden to a 1-0 win over Russia in the championship final of the world junior hockey championship on Thursday.

Zibanejad stole the puck from Russian forward Nikita Gusev before breaking into the Russian zone and roofing a backhand shot over the blocker of Russian goaltender Andrei Makarov, who finished the game with 57 saves.

The win gave Sweden only its second gold medal at the event and the country's first since 1981. It was the first time the two European nations had met in the world-junior gold-medal game since the tournament adopted a playoff format in 1996.

Johan Gustafsson made 17 saves in Sweden's net for the shutout.

Sweden dominated the first two periods of the game, outshooting the Russians 17-3 in the first period and 22-1 in the second. Despite the lopsided advantage, the Swedes couldn't figure out a way to solve Makarov.

Russian coach Valeri Bragin decided to go with Makarov in net instead of Andrei Vasilevski, who stopped 44-of-49 shots he faced before being pulled in Russia's 6-5 semifinal win over Canada on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Goalie gets it done

► Visentin shines in Canadian win over Finland for world junior bronze

A depleted Canadian team dug into its reserves to beat Finland 4-0 and capture the bronze medal at the world junior hockey championship Thursday.

Down three players due to injuries and a suspension, Canada extended the country's streak of winning a medal in the tournament to 14 consecutive years.

Goaltender Mark Visentin was the feel-good story of the game. He stopped a second-period penalty shot and made a no-look, around-the-back save early in the third. He finished with 27 saves for

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the shutout.

"It was pretty wicked to watch the puck go off my shoulder and off the crossbar," said Visentin of the acrobatic save in the final period. "I just saw it out of the corner of my eye go into my glove when I was reaching for it."

"I was kind of worried that I swept so far back

that I put it in my own net, but once I saw it on the replay and the crowd started to go nuts, I had a feeling it wasn't in."

Visentin was in Canada's goal in last year's final in Buffalo, N.Y., where Russia scored five third-period goals to win the gold medal.

"Our best player was Mark Visentin who played outstanding and made big saves in each period," said head coach Don Hay. "I'm really happy for Mark and what he's gone through from last year's tournament."

"He really competed

hard and it's great to see Mark play so well today and get the shutout."

Visentin had finished Canada's 6-5 semifinal loss to Russia on Tuesday because starter Scott Wedgewood was injured in the second. The Canadians trailed 6-1 early in the third in that game but a spirited comeback fell just short.

The short-staffed Canadians needed a big game from their goalie Thursday to get a medal and the Phoenix Coyotes prospect delivered. Visentin was named player of the game for Canada.

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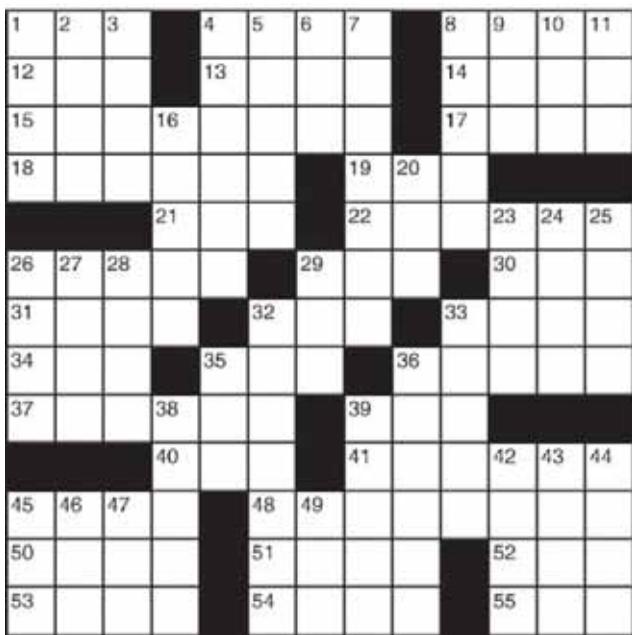
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30 Literary collection
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Today's horoscope



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Gemini May 22-June 21 You may go over the top and annoy someone you really ought to stay on good terms with. Think before you speak or push 'send'.

Cancer June 22-July 22 A job worth doing is a job worth getting paid the going rate for, and as you do a better job than most you are entitled to add a little bit extra.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Creative

activities will go well over the next 24 hours but they will go even better if you don't try to do everything yourself.

Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 It is always a mistake to compare yourself to other people and it would be even more of a mistake now.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Ideas will come thick and fast today but you won't achieve much if you try to follow up on each and every one of them.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 There is something you have overlooked and you desperately need to find out what it is and take appropriate action.

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21 You may feel there is nothing you cannot do and you may be right, but you do in fact have limits like everyone else.

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You may be on the verge of ending a project that does not seem to be going anywhere special but that would be a mistake.

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assistant store managers
shift supervisors
baristas

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